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**To:** Ben Krehbiel [Krehbiel.Ben@epa.gov]; Ed Chu (Chu.Ed@epa.gov) [Chu.Ed@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Schumacher, Kelly [Schumacher.Kelly@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: QUESTION: ORD/Region/UNL AltEn Meeting Follow-Up & Questions

FYI.

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**From:** Tapia, Cecilia  
**Sent:** Monday, December 6, 2021 8:30 AM  
**To:** Lubbe, Wendy <[Lubbe.Wendy@epa.gov](mailto:Lubbe.Wendy@epa.gov)>; Humphrey, Leslie <[Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov](mailto:Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Jay, Michael <[Jay.Michael@epa.gov](mailto:Jay.Michael@epa.gov)>  
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Sounds good.

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**From:** Lubbe, Wendy <[Lubbe.Wendy@epa.gov](mailto:Lubbe.Wendy@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 3, 2021 9:23 PM  
**To:** Humphrey, Leslie <[Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov](mailto:Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Tapia, Cecilia <[Tapia.Cecilia@epa.gov](mailto:Tapia.Cecilia@epa.gov)>; Jay, Michael <[Jay.Michael@epa.gov](mailto:Jay.Michael@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: QUESTION: ORD/Region/UNL AltEn Meeting Follow-Up & Questions

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Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 3, 2021, at 3:15 PM, Humphrey, Leslie <[Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov](mailto:Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov)> wrote:

Cecilia –

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Leslie

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**From:** Tapia, Cecilia <Tapia.Cecilia@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 3, 2021 3:07 PM  
**To:** Humphrey, Leslie <Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov>; Lubbe, Wendy <Lubbe.Wendy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Jay, Michael <Jay.Michael@epa.gov>  
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Thanks

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**From:** Humphrey, Leslie <Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 3, 2021 2:58 PM  
**To:** Tapia, Cecilia <Tapia.Cecilia@epa.gov>  
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Hi Cecilia –

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Have a nice weekend –

Leslie

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**From:** Tapia, Cecilia <Tapia.Cecilia@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 3, 2021 10:01 AM  
**To:** Humphrey, Leslie <Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov>  
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**From:** Bednar, Candace <Bednar.Candace@epa.gov>  
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**To:** Chamberlain, Eliodora <Chamberlain.Eliodora@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Tapia, Cecilia <Tapia.Cecilia@epa.gov>; Lubbe, Wendy <Lubbe.Wendy@epa.gov>  
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## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Let me know if you would like to set up a time to discuss and I would be happy to do that as well.  
Thanks!

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**From:** Chamberlain, Eliodora <Chamberlain.Eliodora@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 2, 2021 9:32 AM  
**To:** Bednar, Candace <Bednar.Candace@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Tapia, Cecilia <Tapia.Cecilia@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** ORD/Region/UNL AltEn Meeting Follow-Up & Questions  
**Importance:** High

Hi Candace,

I don't know if you've been briefed on the Nov 30<sup>th</sup> AltEn meeting with ORD, UNL and R7. But just in case you haven't, I'm providing a snippet of the meeting that involves the Regional Science Program and some things to think about.

Here are a couple of questions/action items generated from the meeting that includes me and the Regional Science Program.

1. Elin asked who from Region 7 would lead this project?
  - a. Obviously your name was mentioned, but the team wasn't sure who would handle the work generated from this issue from here on out. Ex/ organize meetings, site visits, communication, managing and maintaining the Teams site (Elin created a Teams site yesterday), etc.
  - b. Mike B thought it might be him or me. However,.....see below.
2. Jeff Minucci asked if this could be a ROAR project. This is where I stepped in and described the ROAR process and things to consider if this is the path you all want to choose.
  - a. If you wanted to pursue this path, there are a few things to note:
    - i. Put this project/issue of concern on ECAD's Science Needs & Priorities list. This is done by sending the info to Lisa Gotto and Terri Blunk.
    - ii. Assign a "Regional Lead" (typically a staff person) to the project. Each ROAR proposal/project is assigned a "Regional Lead" who is typically a staff person.
    - iii. The Regional Lead needs to do Step 1: Submit a Notice of Intent asap (see link below in my signature). The info is sent to me, then I find the remaining info needed for Step 2.
    - iv. The Regional Lead needs to do Step 2: Fill out and Submit ORD's ROAR Webform (see link below in my signature). The info is then sent to ORD and all the other RSLs.
    - v. I will then send out instructions for Step 3.

I talked with Cecilia yesterday about the meeting and the 2 questions raised above. If you all want to pursue #2 above, Cecilia thought Lorenzo Sena is someone who could be the Regional Lead for the ROAR proposal. He is familiar with the previous ORD process, and could navigate it with me easily. I realize Lorenzo is in Tracey's branch under Dave, so determining if this would work with he and his supervisors is something to consider. Additionally, I don't know if he is familiar with the AltEn project/issue. If he is not, then maybe there is someone in your branch who would be a better fit as the Regional Lead. Either way, I would still work closely with the Regional Lead to get all the forms filled out and submitted on time. If the person chosen to be the Regional Lead is not familiar with the ROAR process at all, that's okay. I can bring them up to speed and work closely with them.

If you want to pursue #2, please let me know as soon as possible. The deadline to submit 2 forms (NOI + ORD ROAR Webform) is due **Friday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>**.

I'm attaching the transcript and the recording from the Nov 30<sup>th</sup> meeting.

 [AltEn research discussion between EPA and UNL-20211130 150235-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks,  
Elidora



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*My pronouns are: she, her, hers or just use my name, please.*

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Save a Spot on your calendars for these upcoming R7 Regional Science Program Activities:

- October 26, 2021 – ROAR Solicitation opens.
- November 1 and 4, 2021 – ROAR ORD Informational Webinars
- November 16, 2021 - ROAR Regional Informational Webinar
- November 29, 2021 – Step 1: Notify Eliodora Chamberlain of your intent to submit a proposal by filling out the Notice of Intent Form
- **December 10, 2021 – Step 2:** Fill out and submit ORD's ROAR Webform.
- January 15, 2022 – Submit ROAR draft full proposals to Eliodora Chamberlain for review.
- January 28, 2022 – Submit ROAR proposals to Regional and ORD Division Directors for signature.
- February 11, 2022 – Submit approved ROAR proposals to Eliodora Chamberlain for submission to HQ
- February 18, 2022 – Selection process begins.